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Ref: 19-F-0419

Ms. Caroline Haskins
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Dear Ms. Haskins:

This is the final response to your December 4, 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. We received your request on December 14, 2018, and assigned it case number 19-F-0419. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

However, please note that your request was misdirected to this office for processing. This FOIA office only processes requests for the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) and the Joint Staff (JS). There is no central FOIA processing point for records for the entire Department of Defense (DoD). The U.S. Army, which operates its own FOIA office, would have cognizance over the information you are seeking. In consideration of this fact, we have forwarded your request to the U.S. Army for their review and direct response to you. For your convenience, the contact information for the U.S. Army FOIA Office is provided below:

U.S. Army Records Management & Declassification Agency (RMDA)
Freedom of Information Act Division
9301 Chapek Rd., Bldg 1458
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

This action closes your request with this office, and there are no assessable fees associated with this response.

Sincerely,

Stephanie L. Carr
Chief

Enclosures:
As stated

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December 4, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

According to recent media reports, the US Army recently granted Microsoft Corporation a \$480 million contract in order to deploy HoloLens augmented reality (AR) technology into live combat for the US Army's Integrated Visual Augmentation System program.

(<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-11-28/microsoft-wins-480-million-army-battlefield-contract>).

Therefore, I am requesting the following records related to the bidding and contract negotiation process for AR headsets for Army combat:

- Any e-mails, text messages, or electronic communications between January 1, 2017 and November 29, 2018 between representatives of the US Army or the US Department of Defense and representatives of Microsoft pertain to the US Army's Integrated Visual Augmentation System program or mention augmented reality (AR).
- Any e-mails, text messages, or electronic communications between January 1, 2017 and November 29, 2018 between representatives of the US Army or the US Department of Defense and representatives of Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corporation, Lockheed Martin Corporation, and Raytheon Company that pertain to the US Army's Integrated Visual Augmentation System program or mention augmented reality (AR).
- Any e-mails, text messages, or electronic communications between January 1, 2017 and November 29, 2018 including representatives of the US Army or the US Department of Defense and any other company that pertain to the US Army's Integrated Visual Augmentation System program or mention augmented reality (AR).
- Any agenda, minutes, emails, or documents pertaining to a series of meeting in July or August of 2018 of with companies interested in developing AR headsets for the US Army's Visual Augmentation System program.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes. It will be used in the course of reporting for Motherboard, VICE's science and technology website (www.motherboard.vice.com).

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In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Caroline Haskins

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